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For SUBSTITUTED POLYCYCLIC ARYL AND HETEROARYL PYRIMIDINONES USEFUL FOR SELECTIVE INHIBITION OF THE COAGULATION CASCADE
Examiner Deepak Rao

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ELECTION OF SPECIES

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

This letter is in response to the Office action of April 8, 2005, in which an election of species for prosecution on the merits was requested.

In response, applicants hereby elect the compound recited in claim 16, page 222, lines 24-25, wherein R^2 is 3-aminophenyl, B is phenyl, A is CH_2, Y^0 is 4-amidinobenzyl, and M is CCl.

According to M.P.E.P. §809.02(c), an examiner's action subsequent to an election of species should include a complete action on the merits of all claims readable on the elected species and according to M.P.E.P. §809.02(e), whenever a generic claim is found to be allowable in substance, action on the species claims shall thereupon be given as if the generic claim were allowed. Thus, if it is determined that the elected species is patentable, it is incumbent upon the Office to search additional species that fall within any allowable generic claims.

Favorable consideration and allowance of all pending claims is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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